

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 235757

62

ORIGIN ARA-10

INFO OCT-01 SS-14 ISO-00 NSC-10 NSCE-00 SPC-01 PM-03

DODE-00 CIAE-00 INR-10 NSAE-00 RSC-01 L-02 PRS-01

EB-03 COA-01 AID-10 /067 R

DRAFTED BY ARA/NC/C:JFMAISTO:LB

APPROVED BY ARA:JBKUBISCH

ARA/NC:FJDEVINE

----- 001066

P 010033Z DEC 73

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA PRIORITY

INFO ALL AMERICAN REPUBLIC DIPLOMATIC POSTS PRIORITY

USCINCSO PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 235757

LIMDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OCON, CO

SUBJECT: VAZQUEZ-KUBISCH MEETING, NOVEMBER 30

1. COLOMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER VAZQUEZ CARRIZOSA CALLED ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY KUBISCH NOVEMBER 30 FOR 50 MINUTE SESSION PRIOR TO MEETING WITH SECRETARY TO DELIVER EIGHT POINT AGENDA ENTITLED "BASES FOR A NEW DIALOGUE BETWEEN LA AND US" WHICH WAS APPROVED AT NOV 14-16 FM'S CONFERENCE IN BOGOTA. VAZQUEZ COVERED THE FOLLOWING MAIN POINTS:

A. THE AGENDA IS INDICATIVE OF THE FEELING AND INTENTIONS OF LATIN AMERICA. IT IS NOT A DEMAND (NOT "TERMINANTE"). RATHER IT IS PRESENTED TO THE SECRETARY IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHAT SHOULD BE DISCUSSED WHEN ALL THE FMS MEET WITH HIM IN EARLY 1974. SECRETARY KISSINGER IS INVITED TO SUGGEST ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 235757

B. THE OPPORTUNITY TO BEGIN THE NEW DIALOGUE IS WITH

US NOW, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE THERE IS NO BIG ISSUE OF CONFRONTATION GOING ON BETWEEN THE US AND LATIN AMERICA.

C. IT IS AN ERROR TO BELIEVE THAT THE US AND LATIN AMERICA WILL BE IN AGREEMENT ABOUT ALL THINGS. THE US IS A GREAT POWER; AT TIMES INTERESTS WILL NOT BE THE SAME.

LATINS MUST REALIZE THIS.

D. THE BOGOTA MEETING WAS A RISK. VAZQUEZ UNDERTOOK IT AFTER TALKING WITH RABASA IN NY AND WITH PRESIDENT PASRANA. THE SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO THE CONFERENCE WAS ESPECIALLY OPPORTUNE BECAUSE IT TRANSMITTED HIS INTEREST AT AN IMPORTANT MOMENT IN THE MEETING. THE ROLE THE BRAZILIANS PLAYED, ALTHOUGH NOT AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL, WAS VERY EFFECTIVE. THE BOGOTA MEETING ACCOMPLISHED:

1. ELIMINATING GENERAL DEBATE IN WHICH EACH REPRESENTATIVE MAKES A SPEECH. (VAZQUEZ CALLED THESE SPEECHES "USELESS" AND FOR INTERNAL CONSUMPTION ONLY).

2. BRINGING LA FOREIGN MINISTERS BACK INTO LEADING POSITIONS IN INTERAMERICAN AFFAIRS. SINCE 1961 THEIR ROLE HAS BEEN USURPED BY FINANCE MINISTERS.

3. SHOWING THAT THE LATINS COULD ARRIVE AT A CONSENSUS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA THAT DOES NOT OVERPROMISE (LIKE THE ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS), AND IS PRAGMATIC.

E. THE OAS DOES NOT OFFER THE SOLUTION FOR BETTER HEMISPHERIC RELATIONS. THE OAS IS ALL PROCEDURE AND NO SUBSTANCE. FOR EXAMPLE, IF THE FORUM FOR THE BOGOTA MEETING HAD BEEN THE OAS, GUYANA WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN PRESENT (VENEZUELA WOULD HAVE OBJECTED). WITHOUT GUYANA, BARBADOS, TRINIDAD AND JAMAICA WOULD NOT HAVE PARTICIPATED.

F. THE FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING IN MEXICO WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER SHOULD TAKE PLACE EARLY NEXT YEAR, PREFERABLY IN FEBRUARY. (ASSISTANT SECRETARY KUBISCH NOTED THAT RABASA HAD SUGGESTED THE THIRD WEEK OF FEBRUARY)
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STATE 235757

THE MEETING MUST BE IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PRESENT MOMENTUM. MARCH WOULD NOT BE A GOOD MONTH DUE TO CHANGES OF ADMINISTRATION IN VENEZUELA AND BRAZIL. THREE SPECIFIC TOPICS THAT COULD BE DISCUSSED IN MEXICO WITH THE VIEW TOWARD INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS ARE TRADE, MONETARY REFORM, AND THE PRICES OF BASIC COMMODITIES.

G. REGARDING LAW OF THE SEA, VAZQUEZ THOUGHT THAT IT

WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO AGREE TO FREEDOM OF NAVIGATION PROVISIONS UNDER THE 200 MILE FORMULA. VAZQUEZ SAID THAT IF BRAZIL COULD BE BROUGHT AROUND ON THIS QUESTION, PERU AND ECUADOR MIGHT AS WELL (HE OPINED THAT PERU IS READY TO ACCEPT A COMPROMISE), AND THAT THE 200 MILE "ECONOMIC ZONE" TERMINOLOGY MIGHT BECOME ACCEPTABLE LANGUAGE. RESPONDING TO A QUESTION HE SAID THAT LAW OF THE SEA WOULD BE A USEFUL ITEM TO ADD TO THE MEXICO AGENDA.

2. ASSISTANT SECRETARY KUBISCH SAID THAT THE US HAS AN IMPORTANT AND UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITY TO ESTABLISH A NEW PRODUCTIVE SET OF RELATIONSHIPS WITH LATIN AMERICA, AND THAT IF THIS IS IMPORTANT FOR THE US IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT FOR ALL THE COUNTRIES OF THE HEMISPHERE. HE NOTED THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER HAS AN ENORMOUS INTEREST IN LATIN AMERICA AND WILL TALK FRANKLY AND OPENLY WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTERS. THE SECRETARY IS LOOKING FORWARD TO PRACTICAL, REALISTIC, PRODUCTIVE CONVERSATIONS AND MEETINGS.

3. FOLLOWING A DISCUSSION OF SEVERAL BILATERAL MATTERS, VAZQUEZ AND KUBISCH MET FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SECRETARY IN HIS OFFICE AND AT A SMALL WORKING LUNCHEON HOSTED BY THE SECRETARY FOR VAZQUEZ. RUSH

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 01 DEC 1973
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: garlanwa
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973STATE235757
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: JFMAISTO:LB
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19731251/aaaablim.tel
Line Count: 138
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ORIGIN ARA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: LIMDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: LIMDIS
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: garlanwa
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 17 JAN 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <17-Jan-2002 by martinjw>; APPROVED <07 MAR 2002 by garlanwa>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: VAZQUEZ-KUBISCH MEETING, NOVEMBER 30
TAGS: OCON, CO
To: BOGOTA
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005